

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Promoting Awareness on the Potential of Visually impaired Persons – Inclusion of Visit to the exhibition “Dialogue in the Dark” in training programmes - Visit to the exhibition by All India Service Officers and HoDs – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION(AR&T.III)DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.27

Dated the 11th January,2012.
Read:-

C.No.4936/DW/AI/2011,dt.9.08.2011 of the Department for
Women, Children, Disabled and Senior Citizens.

O R D E R :

The Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 mandates all Governments/ Departments to reach out to disabled persons in terms of providing access to amenities and equality of opportunities for development. Visually impaired persons constitute an important segment of the disabled. The objectives of the Act can be realised only if there is greater sensitivity and understanding by sighted persons of the needs, abilities and potential of the visually challenged persons.

2. “Dialogue in the Dark” located at Level-5, Inorbit Mall, Madhapur, Hyderabad is a unique experiential exhibition tour in complete darkness which demonstrates the ability of visually impaired persons to discharge their responsibilities through heightened use of their other faculties and senses. This experience will help to promote awareness and sensitivity among policy makers and officials responsible for implementation about the potential for providing employment and mainstreaming the visually impaired persons.

3. Government have, therefore, decided that Apex Training Institutions such as Dr.MCR HRD Institute, Andhra Pradesh Police Academy, Andhra Pradesh Judicial(Law)Academy, Andhra Pradesh Academy of Rural Development and WALAMATRI shall include the visit to the exhibition as part of the curriculum of all the training programmes conducted by them.

4. Government have also decided that the officials of the following departments shall visit the above exhibition utilizing budgets available within their Departments for training or under other appropriate Heads of expenditure:-

1. Medical & Health Department.
2. R.V.M, School Education & Higher Education Departments.
3. Roads & Buildings Departments.
4. Municipal administration & Urban Development Department.
5. Department for Women, Children, Disabled & Senior Citizens Welfare.
6. Chief Engineers of all Corporations of Welfare departments, Andhra Pradesh Health, Medical, Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (APMHIDC)
7. Director, A.P. State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT).

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5. As All India Service Officers and Heads of Departments are responsible for implementing the various programmes for the Disabled, a visit will help to promote awareness and improve the sensitivities of the authorities as envisaged under the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995. Accordingly they are permitted to visit the "Dialogue in the Dark" exhibition utilizing the budget available for training or under other appropriate Heads of expenditure.

6. A special rate of Rs.200/- per person has been permitted for the experiential exhibition tour made by the categories of officers and employees mentioned in paras 3,4 and 5 above.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.34133/221/Expr.WD/2011, dated. 09-01-2012.

MINNIE MATHEW
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(GPM&AR)

To

All the Spl.C.Ss/Prl.Secys/Secretaries to Government.

All the Heads of Departments.

The D.G.& E.O.Spl.C.S. to Government, Dr.MCR HRDInstitute,A.P,Hyd.

The Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Academy of Rural Development
(APARD),Hyd.

The Director,A.P.Judicial(Law) Academy,Hyd.

The Director, Andhra Pradesh Police Academy,Hyd.

The Director General,WALAMTARI,Hyd.

Chief Engineers , R&B, P.R&R.D, RWS, HMHIDC, Housing Board, Police
Housing Corporation,Hyderabad.

The Engineer- in – Chief, Tribal Welfare department, Hyderanad.

The Engineer- in – Chief(Public Health), M.A.&U.D Department,Hyd.

The M.D, A.P Education,Welfare, Infrastructure Development Corporation
(Welfare Departments), Hyd.

The Director, State Council of Educational Research and Training. (SCERT).

Copy to the Chief Executive Officer, "Dialogue in the Dark" Exhibition, ACE
Experiences Asia Private Limited, Unit TA 02b, Inorbit Mall, Level 5, Hitech City,
Hyderabad – 500081.

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SECTION OFFICER.